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NCR Corporation Docket No. 9983

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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of Inventor(s): Ahmad S. Ghazal, et al.

For: **SEMANTICALLY REDUCING THE NUMBER OF PARTITIONS INVOLVED IN A JOIN**

Enclosed are also:

- X 13 Sheet(s) of Drawings
- X An assignment of the invention to NCR Corporation
- X A signed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney
- X Form PTO/SB/35 Request for Nonpublication

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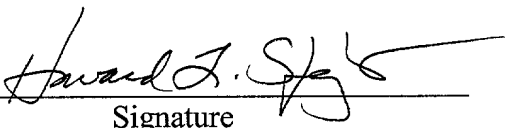
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